

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The Examiner objects to Figure 7 indicating that specific mention of the remote host 114 is not made. This oversight has been remedied. Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

The Abstract has been shortened to less than 150 words.

Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 13-23 and 36-44 and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 9, 12, 31, and 35. Claim 1 now incorporates allowable subject matter from claim 9; claim 24 incorporates the allowable subject matter from claim 31; and allowable claim 35 has been rewritten in independent claim form. Claims 26, 27, 29, and 30 now depend from allowable claim 35.

The application is now in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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